GHULAM NABI AZAD): (a) and (b) The report of the high level enquiry is expected by 31st May, 1993.

(c) The agencies concerned with security of Civil Aviation operations have been alerted to ensure strict enforcement of anti-sabotage, anti-hijacking and access control measures.

Persistance by Indian Airlines management to fly old aircraft

1558. SHRIMATI KAMLA SINHA: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Boeing 737 has been used much beyond its recommended life span;

(b) whether it is a fact that Indian Airlines management persisted with the older aircraft while nearly half a dozen newer ones stood grounded;

(c) whether Government reviewed the decision of Indian Airlines management to fly older aircraft that have run beyond their life span; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM (SHRI GHULAM NABI AZAD): (a) and (b) No, Sir.

(c) and (d) Government has asked Indian Airlines not to use for commercial purposes four Boeing 737 aircraft, which are over 20 years old, in order to have a younger and more economical fleet.

Accients in Air India and Indian Airlines

1559. SHRI SURESH PACHOURI: SHRI IQBAL SINGH:

Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) what is the number of Air accidents that occured both with IA and AI during the year 1992-93 in comparison to year 1990-91 and 1991-92; and

(b) what measures have been taken to increase safety performance of both the Airlines?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM (SHRI GHULAM NABI AZAD): (a) The number of accidents to Indian Airlines and Air India aircraft during the years 1990-91, 1991-92 and 1992-93 is given below:

	1990-91	91-92	92-93
Air India	1	—	—
Indian Airlines	—	1	2

(b) Measures such as implementation of recommendations emanating from investigation of aircraft accidents, dissemination of safety information, monitoring of cockpit voice recorders, implementation of measures for eradication of bird menace at airports have been taken to increase safety performance of both the airlines. DGCA also monitors the observance of safety norms by the airlines.

Amount spent on advertisement for promotion of tourism

1560. SHRI MOHAMMED AFZAL alias MEEM AFZAL: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleased to state:

what is the amount spent by his Ministry on advertisements which have been given to newspapers on tourism during the period 1st March, 1992 to 31st March, 1993, language-wise?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM (SHRI